

Grand Prix & Orange Coast Regions Paramount Ranch Picnic Tour

When: April 25 Sunday
9:30am (for a 10:00 am sharp departure)

Where: 18000 Coastline Dr, Malibu

Bring: picnic lunch & good walking shoes

Cost: \$5.00 per car charity donation

Porsche Speedster, 550 Spyder, Jaguar C-Type & D-Type, Ferrari Monza, MG TD, TF & A, Lotus, Triumph, Corvette, Mercedes Gull Wing, Alfa, Frazer-Nash — they all raced here.

Ken Miles, Chuck Daigh, Dan Gurney, Richie Ginther, Bruce Kessler, Lance Reventlow, Jack Nethercutt, John von Neumann, Lew Spencer, Jack McAfee, Bob Bondurant — they all raced here.

The Paramount Ranch is an old movie set location located near Agoura in the Santa Monica Mountains. After passing through several private hands, it now a part of the National Park Service Santa Monica Mountain Recreational Area. <http://www.nps.gov/samo/planyourvisit/paramountranch.htm>

We will meet on Coastline Drive in Malibu. Coastline is 3/4 of a mile north of Sunset Blvd on Pacific Coast Highway. Make the right on Coastview and pull off the road just past the first street on the right - Surfview. We will depart at 10:00 am sharp and take a fun drive through the Santa Monica Mountains enroute to the Ranch. There is a nice covered area where we will enjoy our picnic lunches.

The 2-mile Road Course was only operated for two years: 1956-57.

It was narrow and twisting with ups and downs — perfect for Porsches! Some portions of the track can still be found, and we will have the opportunity to walk parts of it. Marty Goldsmith, who organized this tour, worked at all five of the race weekends held there. He will give us a tour and history lesson about the track and sports car racing as it was at that time.

We will pick our way around the course on foot, trying to identify some of its outstanding features (including an underpass/tunnel).

Questions & RSVP:

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